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This codebook describes the variables contained in the replication materials for “Warfare, Fiscal Gridlock, and State Formation during Europe’s Military Revolution”. For further details, including data construction, please see the article and the online appendix.

Databases

File Name	Notes
<i>data_CDOFG_main</i>	The article’s main database.
<i>data_figure1</i>	The database needed to produce Figure 1.
<i>data_A10</i>	The database needed to produce Appendix Table A.10.

File extensions are *.dta*.

Variables in *data_CDOFG_main*

polityid: composite monarchy (“polity”) numerical id

polity: composite monarchy (“polity”) name

unitid: territorial unit numerical id

unit: territorial unit name

year: year

tax_reform: binary indicator taking the value 1 for each year that territorial unit *i* experienced a reform effort reducing parliament’s tax authority

tax_maxyear: year that territorial unit *i* experienced its final tax reform effort

expenditure_reform: binary indicator taking the value 1 for each year that territorial unit *i* experienced a reform effort reducing the crown’s expenditure authority, whether by a transfer of fiscal authority to parliament or via IRB

expenditure_maxyear: year that territorial unit *i* experienced its final expenditure reform effort

parl_move: binary indicator taking the value 1 for each year that territorial unit *i* experienced a reform effort transferring fiscal authority to parliament

irb_move: binary indicator taking the value 1 for each year that a territorial unit experienced a reform effort transferring fiscal authority via IRB

extwarmajor_10: share of years over the previous decade in which the composite monarchy containing territorial unit *i* participated in a major external war

extwarmajor_5: share of years over the previous half-decade in which the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i participated in a major external war

extwarmajor: binary indicator taking the value 1 if the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i participated in at least one major external war in a given year

n_extwarmajor_10: average number of major external wars per year that the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i participated in over the previous decade

extwarmajorWAMR_10: share of years over the previous decade in which the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i participated in a major external war after dropping the War of the American Revolution

intwarmajor_10: share of years over the previous decade in which the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i participated in a major internal war

casualtywarmajor_10: average number of casualties in major external wars per year that the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i participated in over the previous decade

extwarloss_10: average number of losses in major external wars per year that the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i participated in over the previous decade

latitude_capital: latitude of the capital city of the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i

longitude_capital: longitude of the capital city of the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i

urbrate: urbanization rate of the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i (interpolated)

ln_gdppc: log GDP per capita of the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i (interpolated)

dist_mainz: distance from Mainz to the capital city of the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i (in 100 km)

dist_mainz_1500, dist_mainz_1600, dist_mainz_1700, dist_mainz_1800: interaction terms between **dist_mainz** and century fixed effects for 1500, 1600, 1700, and 1800, respectively

dist_witt: distance from Wittenberg to the capital city of the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i (in 100 km)

dist_witt_1500, dist_witt_1600, dist_witt_1700, dist_witt_1800: interaction terms between **dist_witt** and century fixed effects for 1500, 1600, 1700, and 1800, respectively

ability: ability of an individual ruler in the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i

dynastyid: dynasty numerical id in the composite monarchy containing territorial unit i

politytrend1-politytrend9: composite monarchy (“polity”) specific linear time trends spanning the years 1500 to 1800

dynastytrend1-dynastytrend20: dynasty-specific linear time trend spanning the years 1500 to 1800

Variables in data figure1

year: year

n_status_quo: number of crown-and-parliament territorial units remaining

n_fisc_abs: number of territorial units having converted to fiscal absolutism

n_fisc_parl: number of territorial units having converted to fiscal parliamentarism

share_status_quo: share of crown-and-parliament territorial units remaining

share_fisc_abs: share of territorial units having converted to fiscal absolutism

share_fisc_parl: share of territorial units having converted to fiscal parliamentarism

Variables in data A10

Please see the variable descriptions in “**Variables in data_CDOFG_main**” above.